

Daily Holidays & Observances Calendar



2026

NOVEMBER

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 National Author's Day National Family Literacy Day Day of the Dead	2 Look for Circles Day	3 National Sandwich Day	4 National Candy Day International Stress Awareness Day	5 American Football Day	6 Basketball Day	7 National Play Outside Day
8 National STEM/STEAM Day National Parents As Teachers Day	9 Go To An Art Museum Day	10 World Science Day for Peace and Development	11 Origami Day Veterans Day National Young Readers Day	12 Chicken Soup for the Soul Day	13 World Kindness Day	14 National Pickle Day
15 I Love To Write Day America Recycles Day	16 National Button Day National Fast Food Day International Day for Tolerance	17 National Take a Hike Day International Students' Day	18 Mickey Mouse Day National Princess Day	19 National Play Monopoly Day National Camp Day	20 Future Teachers of America Day Universal Children's Day	21 World Hello Day Pumpkin Pie Day World Television Day Family Volunteer Day
22 Go For A Ride Day	23 National Espresso Day	24 Celebrate Your Unique Talent Day	25 National Parfait Day International Hat Day National Jukebox Day What Do You Love About America Day	26 National Cake Day Thanksgiving Day	27 Turtle Adoption Day National Day of Listening	28 Red Planet Day
29 Square Dance Day	30 National Mason Jar Day	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	November 2026 Daily Holidays & Observances Calendar Refer to this calendar for inspiration and themed activity ideas for your program! Find ideas below and click the Daily Holidays link to find related items to support your activities.				

Date	Observance/Holiday	Activity Ideas
November 1st	National Author's Day National Family Literacy Day Day of the Dead	Use our Creative Reads kits to incorporate a craft and book activity around a specific author Host a Family Engagement Night with our exclusive kit & guide to get parents involved in teaching literacy! Get your own Color-Me Ceramic Skull Bank to celebrate!
November 2nd	Look for Circles Day	Celebrate by finding circles in everyday places, and try our ceramic Bisque Circle Bank craft
November 3rd	National Sandwich Day	Use play food sets to teach your group about meals and healthy choices
November 4th	National Candy Day International Stress Awareness Day	Stock up on festive treats for your next event from our candy collection! Teach your group about stress and how to handle emotions with our exclusive Calming Kits .
November 5th	American Football Day	Plan some football games and activities for kids to get their heart rates up!
November 6th	Basketball Day	We love this floor basketball game that can be inclusive to all ages and abilities
November 7th	National Play Outside Day	Plan some fun games and activities that your group can play outdoors!
November 8th	National STEM/STEAM Day National Parents As Teachers Day	Plan a STEM lesson for your program, like snap circuits or intro to engineering Our new Family Engagement Take Home Bags include a detailed parent guide to allow at-home learning.
November 9th	Go To An Art Museum Day	Take a Field Trip to a local museum, or use these craft ideas as inspiration!
November 10th	World Science Day for Peace and Development	Highlight the power of science with a STEM kit like a solar robot or volcano activity!
November 11th	Origami Day Veterans Day National Young Readers Day	Make some fun origami shapes with your group using origami paper ! Honor and remember all who have served Plan book activities in your classroom to celebrate
November 12th	Chicken Soup for the Soul Day	Choose a few volunteers in your group to share a meaningful story or experience that inspired them
November 13th	World Kindness Day	Plan kindness themed and inspirational crafts for your group today
November 14th	National Pickle Day	Get your group active today with a fun game of Pickleball which has become very popular!
November 15th	I Love to Write Day American Recycles Day	Find over 15 different lesson plans for student writing activities on our blog! We've shared some tips and ideas on how to go green for your classroom!
November 16th	National Button Day National Fast Food Day International Day for Tolerance	Add buttons to your craft activity today, either for eyes, to create a pattern, or sewing activities! This Fast Food Card Game is great for an educational game. Match the shape, count, or food category! Make tolerance bracelets to spread awareness, encourage mindfulness, and teach kids to be respectful of others
November 17th	National Take a Hike Day International Students' Day	Visit a local hiking trail so your group can spend some time outdoors and learn about nature Celebrate the power of education with STEM and SEL activities that inspire curiosity and growth!
November 18th	Mickey Mouse Day National Princess Day	Plan some cute themed crafts for kids - like this Mickey Mouse visor . Celebrate National Princess Day with this Feather Boa Princess Tiara!
November 19th	National Play Monopoly Day National Camp Day	Spice up the classic monopoly game with fun options like the new Giant Edition or a monopoly card game. Celebrate the spirit of camp with games, crafts, and activities that build friendships and fun!

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November 20th	Future Teachers of America Day Universal Children's Day	Schedule a Q&A session for older students who are interested in a career in teaching (futureteachers.org) Promote togetherness with a collaborative art project as you discuss the meaning of unity
November 21st	World Hello Day Pumpkin Pie Day World Television Day Family Volunteer Day	Encourage your group to try and find as many ways as possible to say "Hello" Whether you buy one, or make it from scratch, enjoy this festive treat! Provide drawing paper and have the kids draw something from their favorite TV show. Invite family members to participate in a Family Event or other volunteer events at your program.
November 22nd	Go For A Ride Day	Plan a fun scooter game today for physical education!
November 23rd	National Espresso Day	Teach kids about the effects of caffeine, sugar and nutrition. Here's one of our blog posts with more info!
November 24th	Celebrate Your Unique Talent Day	Host a Talent Show at your facility to celebrate the unique skills of your group
November 25th	National Parfait Day International Hat Day National Jukebox Day What Do You Love About America Day	Teach your group how to make Parfait for a fun Dessert Party event Your group can celebrate with creativity by personalizing their own pop-up hat ! Plan a 1950's sockhop with these cutouts , including a jukebox! Have your group play an American themed trivia , then share what each person loves about the country.
November 26th	National Cake Day Thanksgiving Day	Host a baking competition and have everyone bring in their best treats to share! View all of our Thanksgiving and Fall crafts and activity ideas here .
November 27th	Turtle Adoption Day National Day of Listening	Check out these turtle themed crafts and activities to celebrate This new Mirror Sound Bank is a helpful aid for learning - kids can hear and see themselves speak!
November 28th	Red Planet Day	Plan a lesson on the Solar System and focus on fun facts about Mars (the Red Planet)
November 29th	Square Dance Day	Teach a simple Square Dance lesson for your PE unit, afterschool program, or senior facility
November 30th	National Mason Jar Day	Schedule a fun day of crafting using Mason Jars - like this DIY Pineapple Jar .

Monthly Observances/Holidays

[International Games Month](#)
[National Gratitude Month](#)
[Healthy Lifestyles Month](#)
[Aviation History Month](#)
[National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month](#)
[National Family Literacy Month](#)
[Picture Book Month](#)

Weekly Observances/Holidays

November 1st-7th	Polar Bear Week
November 9th-15th	National Children's Book Week
November 8th-14th	Dear Santa Letter Week
November 9th-15th	World Kindness Week
November 9th-13th	National Young Readers Week
November 16th-20th	Geography Awareness Week
November 16th-20th	American Education Week
November 20th-26th	National Game & Puzzle Week
November 22nd-28th	National Family Week